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Description: ff. 457 - Girdle book, bound into a pouch of soft doeskin. - Written at the monastery of Kastl, near Eichstatt and Nuremberg. - De Ricci, Supplement, 332. Karl Kup, "A Fifteenth-Century Girdle Book," Bulletin of the New York Public Library 43 (June, 1939), 471-84. - Jonathan J. G. Alexander, James H. Marrow and Lucy Freeman Sandler, The Splendor of the Word: Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts at the New York Public Library (London / Turnhout: The New York Public Library / Harvey Miller Publishers, 2005) n. 5.

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Language: Latin *Country:* Germany *Century:* 15th

Part 1: ff. 1-457v

Description: - Paper - Bull's Head, ca. 1430 (Briquet 14779); Greek Cross, ca. 1453 (5549); Column, ca. 1451-2 (4407); Grape, ca. 1451 (13006). - 104 x 75 mm - Long lines, ruled in black ink.

Country: Germany *Cardinal point:*

Region: Bavaria *City:*

Assigned Date: s. XV^{med} *Searchable Date Range:* 1440 - 1460

Dated by scribe: Yes *Inscribed Date:* 1454

Document: No *Number of Scribes:* ;1, plus marginal notes to supply missing text in a different hand

Scribe(s): Sebaldus, prior of Kastl

Script: Gothic cursive

Figurative Decoration: 4 woodcuts survive of at least 5: traces of another remain on a stub facing the front pastedown.

Other Decoration: Red initials, rubrics.

Notes: f. 402: Finito libro sit laus et gloria Christo. Anno 1454 septima nonas maius [sic] per manus fratris Sebaldi in castello prioris per hanc scripturam ocium devitantis et aliorum utilitati deservientis. Orans in hoc libro memor sit scriptoris propitio. Latin

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-457v (?)

Title: Breviary

Language(s): Latin



Binding Girdle book -- view of binding.

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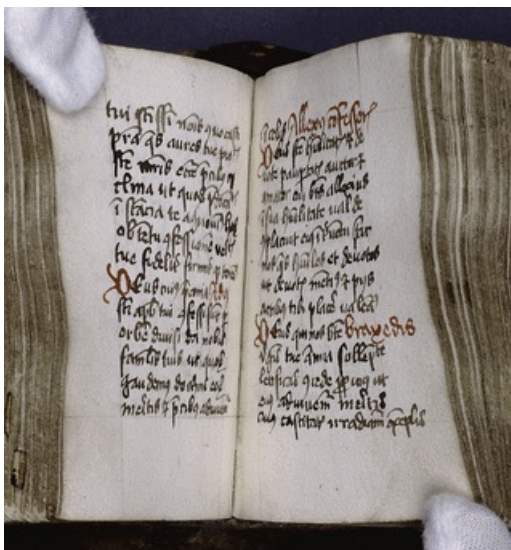
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Inside front cover Woodcut of St. Francis receiving the stigmata.

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Opening Girdle book opened.

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f. 89 Woodcut of Christ in Limbo, in the Harrowing of Hell.

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f. 146v Woodcut of the Resurrection, with large initial and text.

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Inside back cover Woodcut of St. John the Evangelist.

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